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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: "THE BELGRADE EIGHT"

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1. ARTICLE ON SUSPENSION OF BELGRADE EIGHT (REFTEL) ALSO STATES THAT WHOLE AFFAIR INFLUENCED FROM ABROAD. "AMONG FIRST CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR (PROFESSORS') DESTINY WAS CERTAIN CIRIL ZEBOT WHO PUBLISHED LETTER LAST SPRING IN NY TIMES." LETTER CALLED PROFESSORS "REAL MARXISTS" BEING PERSECUTED BECAUSE THEY "CONDEMNED THE DEFICIENCIES OF THE REGIME." ARTICLE IDENTIFIED ZEBOT AS 1) "AN AMERICAN CITIZEN," 2) "EMIGRANT FROM SLOVENIA," "WHO FLED BECAUSE OF COLLABORATION WITH THE ITALIANS," 3) "EXPERT IN THE PROBLEMS OF THE COMMUNIST WORLD," 4) "MEMBER OF THE EDITORIAL BOARD OF THE MAGAZINE PROBLEMS OF COMMUNISM," 5) AUTHOR OF BOOK SLOVENIA, YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW, CONTAINING THEORY OF SLOVENIA'S SEPARATION FROM REST OF YUGOSLAVIA. STATEMENT MADE THAT SAME TIME ZEBOT'S BOOK PUBLISHED, YUGOSLAV PUBLIC INFORMED "THAT POC IS ONE OF THE PUBLICATIONS FINANCED BY THE CIA AS ONE OF ITS PROPAGANDISTIC MEANS."

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COMMENT: IO WILL INFORM NIN USIA PUBLISHED POC,
WHICH RECEIVED BY PROMINENT YUGOSLAVS IN GOVERNMENT
AND PARTY, AND ZEBOT NOT POC EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBER.
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